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EIGHTH INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents, other than U.S. patent documents, are also enclosed.

REMARKS

U.S. Patent No. 6,636,266 B2 (Takahashi) is a grandchild of Application No. 08/315,245 filed September 29, 1994, which was cited in the April 19, 2000 Information Disclosure Statement.

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Also, Applicants respectfully note that the Avaro article on the October 17, 2005 Form PTO-1449 has not been initialed, and respectfully request that the same be initialed to confirm the Office's consideration thereof. Favorable consideration is earnestly solicited.

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CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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